

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of emulating a chip card reader functioning according to the PSCS standard in order to manage a chip card reader functioning according to the EMV standard and communicating with the chip card according to the protocol T = 0, ~~characterised in that it comprises the following operations consisting of comprising the following steps:~~

(a) determining the types of APDU exchanges for which ~~it is necessary to effect an emulation is to be effected,~~

(b) emulating the return of a state word (SW1, SW2) in compliance with the standards ~~to of~~ the PCSC environment,

(c) when the type of APDU exchange corresponds to a Case 2 as defined in ISO 7816-4, receiving the command C-APDU complying with the state word,

(d) when the type of APDU exchange corresponds to a Case 4 as defined in the standards, receiving the command GET-RESPONSE using the state word,

(e) returning R-APDU in response to C-APDU or to GET-RESPONSE.

2. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 1, ~~characterised in that wherein the~~ operations (c) and (d) are executed in the reverse order.

3. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 1, ~~characterised in that wherein the~~ operation (c) is followed by the following ~~operation consisting of step:~~

(c₁) emulating the return of a state word (SW1, SW2) complying with the standards ~~to of~~ the PCSC environment as provided for when the type of APDU exchange corresponds to a Case 4.

4. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 1, ~~characterised in that wherein the operation (b) is replaced by~~ comprises the following operations (b') and (b'') and operation (d) ~~replaced by an~~ comprises the following operation (d') consisting of:

(b') emulating an alarm state, which can relate to the application of the chip card, and sending to the PCSC environment the state word {SW1, SW2} complying with the standards,

(d') receiving the command GET-RESPONSE parameterised such that the number of bytes awaited is 0,

(b'') emulating a state word, {SW1, SW2}, complying with the standards, to the PCSC environment as provided for when the type of APDU exchange corresponds to Case 4.